

Clinical Center for Sleep and Breathing Disorders

Dear Patient,

The UT Southwestern Medical Center Sleep and Breathing Disorders Clinic is informing you of a recall involving certain Philips Respironics masks used in bilevel positive airway pressure (BiPAP) and continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) machines. The recalled masks have magnets used to connect the mask components and hold the device in place. These magnets may affect the functioning of certain implanted medical devices like pacemakers or cause them to move, which could result in injury or death to you or people near you when you are wearing the mask. The magnets could also affect any metallic objects in your body.

Here are our recommendations for next steps:

1. Visit the Food and Drug Administration and Philips Respironics websites (links below) for more information regarding the recall.

[fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/certain-philips-respironics-masks-bipap-cpap-machines-recalled-due-safety-issue-magnets-may-affect](https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/certain-philips-respironics-masks-bipap-cpap-machines-recalled-due-safety-issue-magnets-may-affect)

[usa.philips.com/a-w/about/news/archive/standard/news/press/2022/20220906-philips-respironics-alerts-customers-worldwide-of-updated-instructions-and-labeling-of-specific-sleep-therapy-masks-that-contain-magnetic-headgear-clips-due-to-potential-risk-of-serious-injury.html](https://usa.philips.com/a-w/about/news/archive/standard/news/press/2022/20220906-philips-respironics-alerts-customers-worldwide-of-updated-instructions-and-labeling-of-specific-sleep-therapy-masks-that-contain-magnetic-headgear-clips-due-to-potential-risk-of-serious-injury.html)

2. If you have questions or concerns regarding this notification and its impact on your care, please contact us via MyChart or by telephone at 214-645-5337.

As members of your treatment team, we want to reassure you that you will continue to receive the high-quality care patients have come to expect from UT Southwestern. We remain committed to providing you with the knowledge you need to make the most informed decisions regarding your health care.

Sincerely,

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